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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3093**  
Kazuyuki YAMANE et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2004\_1232A  
Serial No. 10/506,571 : Group Art Unit 1794  
Filed September 3, 2004 : Examiner Viren A. Thakur  
METHOD OF HEAT-TREATING : **Mail Stop: AF**  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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RESPONSE UNDER 37.CFR1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 1794

Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action of December 19, 2007, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

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